

AMEND Senate Bill No. 376*

House Bill No. 599

by designating subsection (e), as amended by House State & Local Government Committee

Amendment No. 2, as subsection (e)(1), and by adding the following language to subsection (e)

to be designated as (e)(2) and (3) accordingly:

- (2) If, pursuant to subdivision (1), a person is elected to the office of sheriff, and the person does not possess a current and valid peace officer certification, upon taking office the salary of such person shall be fifteen percent (15%) less than the salary of a person initially elected to the office of sheriff who does possess a current and valid certification; provided, however, if during the first year in office, such person completes the recruit training program and obtains certification, the salary of such person shall, as a matter of law, automatically be raised the month following the date certification is obtained to the level of other persons initially elected to the office of sheriff who are certified. However, if such person does not complete the recruit training program and obtain certification during the person's first year in office, then the following reduction in salary shall occur as a matter of law, until such person obtains certification:
 - (A) During the second year in office, the salary shall be twenty percent (20%) less than the salary of a first-term sheriff who is certified;
 - (B) During the third year in office, the salary shall be twenty-five percent (25%) less than the salary of a first-term sheriff who is certified; and
 - (C) During the fourth year in office, the salary shall be thirty percent (30%) less than the salary of a first-term sheriff who is certified.

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Notwithstanding such salary schedule, the salary shall, as a matter of law, be automatically raised the month following the date certification is obtained to the level of a first-term sheriff who is certified.

(3) As used in this subsection the term "certification" or "certified" means a current and valid peace officer certification issued by the Tennessee peace officer standards and training commission or training that is approved by or meets the standard on minimum hours required to be certified by the Tennessee peace officer standards and training commission.

AND FURTHER AMEND by adding the following new section immediately preceding the last section and by renumbering the subsequent section accordingly:

Section ____. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

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